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Andrew Szentgyorgyi (protect identity), 104 Pearsall Drive, Mount Vernon, NY, advised that at the request of James B. O'Connell, Editor of the Cavalier Magazine, NYC, to go to Cuba and obtain first-hand information on the Cuban rebels, he went to Cuba on 4/13/57. Szentgyorgyi stated that about the latter part of May, 1957 he finally got an interview with Fidel Castro. At Santiago, he had Dr. Santos Busch take his camera, film and tape recorder to J. Mallon, the Times and Life correspondent in Havana, Cuba, who would take care of sending this equipment to NY, care of Life magazine, and he returned to the US on or about 5/23/57.

Szentgyorgyi stated that Dr. Santos Busch had a son by the name of Charlie Santos Busch, who had just graduated from Cornell University, Utica, NY, and was living at 1315 York Ave., NYC. He, Szentgyorgyi, stated that approximately three weeks after his return to the US he received a call from Roberto Serrano, the son of a very important Cuban politician, to come to the above address. There he met an individual by the name of Lester, who said he had just come from Castro's camp in Cuba and that he came to NY to ask for weapons and money to help the Cuban Revolution. Szentgyorgyi said he advised Lester that he could not help in any way and did not contribute any money.

109-480-533
(17,28)

Andrew Szentgyorgyi, 104 Pearsall Drive, Mt. Vernon, NY (protect identity), advised that sometime during August, 1957, he attended a meeting in the apartment of Dr. Charles Santos Busch, 1315 York Ave., NYC, who was an intern at the New York Hospital, which was also attended by several Cubans.

Szentgyorgyi described one individual in attendance at this meeting, which description corresponded with that of Robert Corenevsky (64-40737). He said this unknown individual talked to one of the Cubans about guns and spoke of a shipment of rifles, and that this individual appeared to be in some sort of trouble.

Informant also reported that Lester Rodriguez, who according to informant was one of the top officers of the July 26 Movement in the U.S., attended this meeting and talked to several Cubans in the bedroom of this apartment.

64-40737-94 p. 11
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This reference set forth in detail information relative to the activities of Alan Louis Sagner (105-93764) in the FPCC. Various information regarding the activities of Charles Santos Buch in the FPCC was also set out. Buch reported that in early, 1960 Sagner approached him to join a group that would try to counteract the unfavorable publicity being given the Cuban situation and as a result the FPCC was organized. Sagner sponsored an advertisement of the FPCC, which appeared in the "New York Times" on 4/6/60. He stated he was unaware any funds for the FPCC came from the Cuban Government and he was shocked to learn of testimony of Buch that the Cuban Government did render financial aid to the FPCC. Sagner said that in his mind, the matter of Cuba's participation in the FPCC was not resolved but on the advice of his attorney he planned to "stay clear of the FPCC."

105-93764-6, p. 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 11-13
(4, 8, 14, 22, 26, 29)

On 10/15/60 Ricardo Felix Portuondo y Portuondo (134-9619) (protect identity) furnished the Jacksonville Office with various information regarding a number of individuals mentioned in a previous communication from the NY Office dated 10/4/60.

Portuondo said that Carlos Santos Busch was no doubt identical with Carlos Santos Buch, who was a cousin of Luis Buch Rodriguez, minister of the President of Cuba. The source said that all of the Buch family were officials in the Castro Government and that the last he saw of Carlos Santos Buch was in January, 1959, when this individual was seen in the presidential palace, Havana, Cuba.

134-9619-1 encl. p. 2
(14, 16, 30)

Correlator's note: The "previous communication" mentioned above contained a list of individuals whom Jose Paz Novas named as Cuban G-2 agents who were submitting reports from NY. This list included "Carlos Santos Busch (ph)."

It is believed that the Carlos Santos Buch who was seen in Cuba in January, 1959 by Portuondo was possibly Dr. Angel Maria Santos Buch, the father of the subject of this summary.

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Zachary Degaster (protect identity) advised that on 5/9/60 he attended a meeting of the Movimiento Revolucionario del Pueblo (105-92704) (MRP) (Revolutionary Movement of the People) in the apartment of Dr. Raul Chibas, 30 West 60th St., Apt. #9K, NYC. Degaster named several individuals who attended this meeting and who were then associated with the MRP. These included Dr. Charles Santos Buch, a medical doctor in NY who was instrumental in the formation of the FPCC.

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Degaster reported that the main theme of the meeting was that then was the time "to do something to over-throw the government of Prime Minister Fidel Castro of Cuba." They discussed the formation of a "Committee For a Free Cuba" and all present agreed that Americans should be included in the committee.

105-92704-39
(4,22)

The following references in the file captioned "Fair Play For Cuba Committee" file 97-4196, contain information pertaining to the activities of Charles Augusto Santos Buch in this committee. Buch was a founder and member of the FPCC from early 1959 to October, 1960. He made contributions to this committee, attended their meetings and received its publication "Fair Play." On 5/21/60 Buch appeared on the television program "Between The Lines" and defended the Cuban situation.

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The following reference on One Buch located in a file maintained in the Special File Room of the Files and Communications Division, Records Branch, was not reviewed:

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The following reference on Charles Bush located in the Personnel Records Unit was not reviewed:

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See the search slip filed behind file for other references on this subject which contain the same information (SI) that is set out in the main file. Differences in source will be noted on the search slip.

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